



“By God’s grace, Immanuel Lutheran Church is a faith community striving to love and serve as disciples of Jesus.”

***14th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion ~ Chicago Folk Service
Sunday, August 30, 2026***



*** Indicates when Congregation should stand**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (W/L) Scott Wiley

TODAY’S RADIO BROADCAST is in loving memory of In loving memory of Tim Vagts, son of Dale & Joyce Vagts. Tim was born September 1, 1960 and passed away on May 9th, 2010. Sponsored by Dale & Joyce Vagts and family.

Congregation stands

***GATHERING SONG, Verses 1, 4 & 5**

For the Beauty of the Earth

ELW 879

GREETING - SUNG (P)

ACT OF RECONCILIATION (P)

Dear members of God's family, branded in baptism and united in Christ, ... **Our Father, we have not fulfilled the hope in which you created us. We repent and ask your mercy that our sin be forgiven and our guilt removed. Help us to learn from scripture and from one another your will for our lives so that, with your help, we can claim the inheritance of**

unlimited freedom which you have willed to us through your son. You came to our world in Jesus, come now to us.

PARDON - SUNG (P)

In Christ we are forgiven.

In Christ we are free to forgive.

In Christ we are free to worship God.

In Christ we are free to live.

Live without excuses.

La, la-la, Alleluia

We worship God with open hearts La, la-la, Alleluia.

Dance now, the weight is lifted

La, la-la, Alleluia.

Cleansed and fresh we will share God's gifts.

La, la-la, Alleluia.

Singing, La, la-la, Alleluia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY – (W/L)**

Let us pray

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

DEACON'S PRAYER - SUNG (Sarah)

SONG OF PRAISE - SUNG (Sarah/ALL)

Glory be to God on high, praise to you most holy! O Lord God, heav’nly king, God the Father almighty. O Lord God, lamb of God, only Son of the Father: Christ who takes away our sin, have mercy upon us. For you only, Lord, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Glory be to God on high! Amen.

Congregation may be seated

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21 Karen Nance

A reading from Jeremiah.

O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring
down retribution for me on my persecutors. ...
... I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem
you from the grasp of the ruthless.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21 Karen Nance

A reading from Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is
good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one
another in showing honor. ...
... Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Congregation Stands

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Sarah)**

Sing praise to the Lord, all the earth. Allelule, Alleluia.

Play music to praise his name. Allelule, Alleluia.

Our passover lamb is Christ, who banished the angel of death.

Sing praise to the Lord, all the earth. Allelule, Alleluia.

Play music to praise his name. Allelule, Alleluia.

We sing to the glory of the Lord, who set us free from our sins.

Sing praise to the Lord, all the earth. Allelule, Alleluia.

Play music to praise his name. Allelule, Alleluia.

To Christ the heav'nly king, give thanks for everything.

Sing praise to the Lord, all the earth. Allelule, Alleluia.

Play music to praise his name. Allelule, Alleluia.

He came to show us how, to live in the here and now.

Sing praise to the Lord, all the earth. Allelule, Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28

Pastor Dan

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Congregation may be seated

SERMON (P)

Pastor Dan

Congregation Stands

***HYMN OF THE DAY:**

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

ELW 808

***CREED SUNG (ALL)**

We all believe in one true, God maker of earth and heaven,
the Father who to us in love, hath the name of children
given. He in soul and body feeds us. All we need His hand
provides us, through all snares and perils leads us sees no
harm betides us. He cares for us by day and night, all
things are governed by His might. And we believe in Jesus
Christ, His Son, our Lord and Savior, who with the Father
equal might, hath pow'r and glory forever. Born of Mary,
virgin mother, by the working of the Spirit. He became our
elder brother, that heav'n we might inherit. Was crucified
by sinners all, and raised by God to life again. And we in
the Holy Ghost believe, who grace and comfort giveth, and
with the Father and the Son in eternal glory liveth. Who
all Christian people even keeps in unity of spirit. Sins are
truly forgiven through the blest redeemer's merit. All flesh
shall rise again and we shall live with God eternally.

*** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (W/L)**

***PEACE (P)**

Congregation may be seated

OFFERING INTERLUDE - SING (ALL)

Let There Be Peace on Earth

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG – CREATE IN ME (Sarah/ALL)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit
within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take

not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your spirit free. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Congregation stands

OFFERING PRAYER (W/L)

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THANKSGIVING - SUNG (P)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (P)

LORD'S PRAYER - SUNG (Sarah/ALL)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (P)

Congregation may be seated

LAMB OF GOD - SUNG (Sarah/ALL)

Christ, O lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Christ, O lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Christ, O lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

COMMUNION (*piano*)

COMMUNION SONGS

Just As I Am, without One Plea

ELW 592

I Come with Joy

ELW 482

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING (P)**

SEND US FORTH IN PEACE - SUNG (Sarah/ALL)

Lord, we have your peace.

Lord, we have your peace. Lord, we have your peace. Lord, we have your peace. Just as you said we have heard it, just as you lived we have felt it. Lord, we have your peace. Sustain us in your peace, O Lord, as we go to our separate worlds. Keep this peace with us as we try to live in our troubled worlds. Send us forth in peace. Send us forth in peace. To be a light to show your beauty forever.

THE BLESSING - SUNG (P)

SENDING SONG *Jesus, Still Lead On*

ELW 624

DISMISSAL (P)

Congregational Announcements

Adult Bible Study WILL meet tonight at 6:00 p.m.

All are invited to Immanuel for the **JOINT (IOP)** Shared Dessert Fellowship after worship **TODAY!!** *Plan to stay and share in the goodies & copies of the recipes (if you ask nice!)*

Church Boards meet this Thursday, Sept 3rd at 6:00 p.m.

Reminder to turn in a board report to your Council Liaison immediately following your board meetings.

GLOW & Faith Formation is Back!! *Rally Night is Wednesday, Sept 2nd from 5-7 p.m.* Come out and join us as we kick off another fun and enriching year for our youth! Anyone interested in assisting with our Wednesday night programs would be very much appreciated! *See the office!*

“An Iliad” will be performed at the new Scene Shop behind Cresco Theatre this *Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 7:00 p.m.* All are invited to come to experience a performance of this ancient story that is pertinent still yet today. \$15 tickets available at both Banks & the Chamber office!

The Old Stone Church Annual Worship Service is
Saturday, Sept 12th at 5:00 p.m. All are invited to bring a
chair & join in this annual event!

Orleans Lutheran Church is hosting their Fall Dinner and
Silent Auction on Sunday, September 13th from 11:00 a.m. –
1:00 p.m. A 3-piece chicken dinner & homemade pies for \$18.
Ridgeway Community Center. Carry Outs Available

A Word of Thanks ... "We are grateful & thankful for all
who were able to make it to our 50th anniversary celebration.
Many thanks for the texts cards and phone calls which helped
make our day so very special." ~ **Arlyn & Vickie Grube**

Worship Assistants still needed for various duties performed
each Sunday. If you were unable to fill out the survey form
and would still like to assist in any way, please seek out Barb
Larsen of the Music & Worship Board to sign up.

Thanks to our worship & music leaders & assistants:

Worship Leader – Scott Wiley **Lector** – Karen Nance
Music Leaders – Rick Nance, Barb Larsen, Sarah Holten
Projection – Jenny Matt & Jackie Tallman
Acolytes – Matt Hemann, Kim & Gabe Steven
Greeters/Ushers – Kelly Praska & LaVonne Beck
Communion Asst – Sharon Ollendieck & Judi Bina
Video/Sound/Facebook & Radio Broadcast – Arlyn &
Vickie Grube, Al Voyna & Matt Gates

Weekly Giving/Attendance Reports

August 24, 2026 Tithes

General Offering this week: **\$3,993.00**

Needed to cover General weekly expenses: **\$5,000.00*

*Shortfall/Overage this week: - **\$1,007.00***

*(Average General Offering each week: **\$3,941.00**)*

Benevolence: \$170.00

Other Donation: \$530.00 Total Received: \$4,693.00

Worship Attendance:

Wed 8.19.26 – No WoW ~ Sun 8.23.26 – 80

Prayers of Healing, Comfort and Guidance

Derek Grube, Jordon Grube, Martha Rasmusson, Jackson
Ollendieck, Reggie Ollendieck, Malissa Kappes, Vince Kappes
& Gayland Peter

Birthdays ~ Aug 30 - Sept 5, 2026

30 Aug – Lynette Bensen, Matt Gehling

& Jeromy Lienhard

2 Sept – Rita Olsen

3 Sept – Melissa Jensen & Helen Schmauss

5 Sept – Heather Ollendieck



Calander of Events ~ Aug 30 – Sept 5, 2026

Sun, Aug 30	8:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Dessert Fellowship
	10:30 a.m.	Worship in the Park
	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Tues, Sept 1	4:30 p.m.	Mobile Food Pantry
Wed, Sept 2	5:00 p.m.	Community Meal
	6:00 p.m.	GLOW/Faith Formation
Thurs, Sept 3	7:00 a.m.	Rally Night & Worship!
	6:00 p.m.	Men's Breakfast
Fri, Sept 4		Church Board Mtgs
		Office Closed!

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